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To: Public Hearing

Subject: Bank of Wal-Mart

Wal-Mart is too large a corporation to allow it an even larger influence on our economy. Their history is not one of a corporate good neighbor, and could pose a serious threat to community banks, just as they have undermined local businesses and family enterprises by their predatory business practices. I live in a medium size community with both a Wal-Mart and a Super Wal-Mart within driving distance, and although I shop at neither, it seems to me that there is more than adequate opportunity for those who must shop there to do so. We have a number of community credit unions that provide a vibrant service to the community, and I want to be able to continue to have a banking choice. Please attend the upcoming hearing regarding this matter and carefully weigh your decision. It is very important to the future well being of our economy.